27980 to 27995—Continued.

large size, almost globular in shape, color pale yellow with green stripes; very early, no shipper. Obtained from Mr. J. K. Dieterichs, who recommends this melon for trial in hotbeds." (Meyer.)

27992. Cucumis sativus L.

Cucumber.

From Geok-Tepe, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 1327a, April 12, 1910.) A very fine local variety of cucumber, green, medium large, and very tender. Obtained from Mr. J. K. Dieterichs. To be tested like No. 1319a (S. P. I. No. 27984)." (Meyer.)

27993. Pistacia vera L.

Pistache.

From Yelisavetpol, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 1328a, April 7, 1910.) Pistachio nuts bought on the market in Yelisavetpol, said to come from Persia. Not of very fine flavor." (Meyer.)

27994. Panicum miliaceum L.

Proso millet.

From Erivan, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 1329a, March 28, 1910.) A local variety of proso having large, brownish-red seeds. Said to be drought resistant." (Meyer.)

27995. TRITICUM AESTIVUM L.

Wheat.

From Erivan, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 1330a, March 28, 1910.) A local variety of soft, white, winter wheat. To be tested under irrigation in mild-wintered climates." (Meyer.)

27996 to 28015.

From Peru, South America. Presented by Prof. William Curtis Farabee, Division of Anthropology, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. Received May 2, 1910.

Seeds of the following: notes taken from the packets:

27996. Amarantus sp.

From Amazon River. A plant with red leaves, eaten by cattle.

27997. Cajan indicum Spreng.

Grows and produces all year.

27998. Canavali ensiforme (L.) DC.

From Madre de Dios River, altitude 900 feet.

27999. Cucurbita ficifolia Bouche.

From near Cuzco, altitude 10,000 feet.

Distribution.—Cultivated generally in the Tropics; said by some authors to be native in eastern Asia, but probably native in Peru, although nothing definite can be stated as to its native region.

28000. Cucurbita pepo L.

From Urubamba River. A pumpkin or squash, round, small, very good to bake.

28001. Cucurbita sp.

From Cuzco. Very sweet.

28002. Gossypium peruvianum Cav.

From upper Ucayali River.

Distribution.—Peru, Chile, and Ecuador; cultivated generally in cotton-producing countries.

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